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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Keiko MATSUMOTO et al.

Title: METHOD OF MULTIQUANTIFICATION FOR CHOLESTEROL

OF LOW-DENSITY LIPOPROTEIN

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to an Office Action mailed April 6, 2009, Applicant hereby elects Group 1, claims 1-8, drawn to a method for quantification of cholesterol in LDL and total cholesterol in a biological sample, for prosecution on the merits. This election is made without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required regarding this application under 37 CFR §§ 1.16-1.17, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment accompany this response, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to the same deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

Date April 28, 2009

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